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ILLINOIS, Central									
Macon County									
3.5 SW (Dec)Decatur Ar	03	0706CST			0	0	0	0	Hail (0.75)
Christian County									
Harvel to Mt Auburn	05	1720CST 1811CST			0	0			Thunderstorm Wind (G52)
Thunderstorm winds blew down numerous power poles and power lines in Harvel, Morrisonville, and Edinburg. In Kincaid, a large tree limb punctured the roof of a house causing minor damage. In Mt. Auburn, the winds caused moderate damage to the roof of a business and a tree was blown over causing minor damage to the roof of a porch. No injuries were reported.									
Macon County									
Decatur	05	1845CST			0	0		0	Thunderstorm Wind
A couple of power lines were blown down in Decatur.									
De Witt County									
Kenney	05	1848CST			0	0		0	Thunderstorm Wind
A power line was blown down onto Route 54 near Kenney. Several trees and tree limbs were blown down as well. No injuries were reported.									
Knox County									
Galesburg to Douglas	08	1907CST 1937CST			0	0			Hail (1.00)
Scott County									
5 SW Oxville	08	1907CST 1908CST	0.3	120	0	0	150K		Tornado (F1)
As the tornado crossed the Illinois River from Pike County into Scott County, it caused extensive damage to a residence next to a pump house located near the river, 5 miles southwest of Oxville. The windows on the west side of the house were blown out and the east wall was blown out as well. Shortly after hitting the home the tornado lifted and dissipated. No injuries were reported and the damage was estimated around \$150,000.									
Scott County									
.3 NNW Oxville to 3 SE Bluffs	08	1910CST 1918CST	4	120	0	0	100K		Tornado (F1)
A tornado developed 0.3 of a mile north northwest of Oxville. It took the roof off of a trailer then continued to the northeast. One mile northeast of Oxville, it destroyed a barn and three grain bins. It destroyed numerous trees and caused damage to several barns and silos before lifting and dissipating 3 miles southeast of Bluffs. No injuries were reported and damage was estimated around \$100,000.									
Fulton County									
2 S Avon to 6 N Canton	08	1917CST 1950CST			0	0		0	Thunderstorm Wind
As a line of severe thunderstorms moved through northern Fulton county, widespread damage was reported. A horse trailer was blown over 2 miles south of Avon and a semi was blown over on Route 116 near London Mills. Three miles northeast of Fairview to 6 miles north of Canton, several barns, machine sheds, and silos were destroyed. Also, numerous power poles and power lines were blown down. No injuries were reported.									
Morgan County									
5.5 W Jacksonville to Arcadia	08	1927CST 1937CST	9.5	200	0	0		0	Tornado (F1)
A tornado touched down 5.5 miles west of Jacksonville. It threw a boat off its trailer a quarter of a mile into a neighbor's pond. A house nearby sustained some shingle and window damage and a truck was damaged. As the tornado travelled to the northeast, it blew down dozens of trees and destroyed a barn. Nearby the roof of an airplane hanger was peeled back with the sheet metal thrown into trees. A 2x4 was driven into the southwest side of a house. After the tornado crossed Route 67, it continued to the northeast knocking down trees and power poles. In Arcadia, a barn was severely damaged, several outbuildings were destroyed, a garage was damaged, and roof damage was reported to several homes before the tornado lifted and dissipated. No injuries were reported.									
Morgan County									
Jacksonville	08	1930CST 1932CST			0	0		0	Thunderstorm Wind
Thunderstorm winds blew down ten power poles in Jacksonville and caused minor damage to a couple of homes in town. No injuries were reported.									
Knox County									
1 S Williamsfield	08	1942CST			0	0		0	Thunderstorm Wind
One mile south of Williamsfield, a shed was destroyed. No injuries were reported.									



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Morgan County									
.5 NE Sinclair to 1.5 NE Prentice	08	1945CST 1950CST	6	33	0	0		0	Tornado (F1)
Cass County									
1 SW Ashland to 1 NE Ashland	08	1950CST 1953CST	2.2	333	1	6	1.8M	0	Tornado (F1)
		F68MH							
Sangamon County									
4.2 NW Pleasant Plains to 4 NW Pleasant Plains	08	1953CST 1954CST	0.6	10	0	0		0	Tornado (F0)
Menard County									
3.8 SW Tallula to 3.3 SW Tallula	08	1954CST 1955CST	0.5	10	0	0		0	Tornado (F0)
<p>The tornado first touched down half a mile northeast of Sinclair (Morgan County). As it travelled to the northeast, it flipped over a mobile home and destroyed a barn near Yatesville. Nearby two outbuildings and a hog shelter were destroyed. As it approached Prentice, the tornado destroyed a small shed and carried parts of the shed over a nearby house then across the road to a field beyond, about 300 yards away. Windows on the house were blown out. As it continued to the northeast scouring marks could be seen in a field 1 mile southwest of Ashland (Cass County). The tornado entered Ashland on the southwest side of town around 851 PM CDT. It hit a trailer park, destroying 17 trailers and damaging 20. One woman was trapped under her mobile home for several hours. However, she died before they could pull her out. Six other people sustained injuries. As it travelled northeast through town, it destroyed one home, as well as, a city garage, and severely damaged 16 homes, a church, laundromat, and several brick buildings downtown. As it exited town it hit a grain elevator. However, the elevator appears to have broken up the tornado's circulation and no damage was reported to the elevator. North of Highway 125, it appears that the circulation became organized again, but much weaker. Plenty of debris from town was found in the field north of the highway. During a helicopter survey, scouring was evident in the field with the scouring marks splitting into two separate circulations, one going north northeast and the other more east northeast. After a short distance, about half a mile, both of the circulations dissipated. Damage in Ashland was estimated around \$1,750,000.</p>									
Peoria County									
Elmwood to Brimfield	08	1953CST 1957CST			0	0		0	Thunderstorm Wind
<p>As a line of severe storms moved into Peoria County, a power pole was snapped off at the ground near Elmwood and an awning at a gas station in Brimfield was damaged. No injuries were reported.</p>									
Sangamon County									
8 ESE Pleasant Plains	08	2010CST			0	0		0	Thunderstorm Wind
<p>Several trees were blown down halfway between Pleasant Plains and Springfield.</p>									
Christian County									
6 S Sicily to 4 NW Taylorville	08	2053CST 2105CST			0	0		0	Thunderstorm Wind
<p>As a severe thunderstorm moved northeast across Christian County, numerous reports of damage were received. Six miles south of Sicily, three grain bins were damaged. Four miles south of Tovey, four homes sustained minor damage and several tree limbs and power lines were blown down one mile south of Kincaid. Also, 3 homes sustained minor damage four miles northwest of Taylorville. No injuries were reported.</p>									
Macon County									
Decatur to Argenta	08	2120CST 2125CST			0	0		0	Thunderstorm Wind
<p>A tree was blown over onto a power pole in Decatur, knocking down a couple of power lines. In Argenta, a truck was blown off of I-72. No injuries were reported.</p>									
Christian County									
Pana	08	2128CST 2135CST			0	0			Thunderstorm Wind (G63)
<p>A severe thunderstorm moved through Pana causing scattered damage. Several trees were blown down and there was minor damage to the high school football fieldbox. Also, a dugout on the high school baseball field was destroyed. Downtown several building sustained minor damage and a couple of outbuildings on the east side of town were destroyed. No injuries were reported.</p>									
Piatt County									
3 N Cisco to 6 NNE Cisco	08	2135CST 2138CST	3.5	100	1	3	150K	0	Tornado (F1)
<p>A tornado formed and touched down destroying a double wide trailer 3 miles north of Cisco. Four people were initially injured, though one died the next day. A barn and two garages nearby were destroyed. Further to the northeast, the tornado destroyed a barn. Five miles north northeast of Cisco, the top story of a two story barn was removed. After this, the tornado lifted and dissipated. Damage to the mobile home was estimated around \$150,000. F44MH</p>									



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ILLINOIS, Central									
Champaign County Mahomet	08	2145CST			0	0	0	0	Hail (1.00)
Champaign County 1.5 S Mahomet to 4 E Leverett	08	2154CST 2205CST			0	0			Thunderstorm Wind (G69)
As a severe thunderstorm moved across Champaign County, it caused scattered areas of damage. Storm spotters recorded a 79 MPH wind gust just south of Lake of the Woods. Four miles east of Leverett, a green house was destroyed, a machine shed was flipped over, the doors blown off of a barn, and some minor roof and shingle damage to a home. No injuries were reported.									
Douglas County Arcola to Hindsboro	08	2205CST 2225CST			0	3		0	Thunderstorm Wind
As the severe thunderstorm moved across Douglas County, numerous reports of damage were received. In Arcola, several large trees were blown over, some of which caused damage to several tombstones and a storage shed in the cemetery. Several semis were blown over on I-57, injuring three people. A window was blown in on one business in Tuscola. In Villa Grove, the winds blew the roof off of an unoccupied house and destroyed the carport. Numerous trees were blown down countywide.									
Effingham County 3.5 S Teutopolis	08	2228CST			0	0		0	Thunderstorm Wind
A large tree was blown down across the road 3.5 miles south of Teutopolis. No injuries or structural damage were reported.									
Cumberland County Janesville	08	2232CST 2233CST	0.1	33	0	0	50K	0	Tornado (F0)
Coles County 2.2 SW Campbell	08	2233CST	0.2	33	0	0	50K	0	Tornado (F0)
A tornado touched down on the southwest side of Janesville (Cumberland County side of town). It hopped and skipped along a northeast path through town causing scattered damage. Three homes sustained moderate damage and an above ground pool was destroyed. A front porch on one of the homes was destroyed. Several trees were blown down as well. The tornado lifted on the northeast side of town (in Coles County). No injuries were reported and damage was estimated around \$100,000.									
Vermilion County Danville	08	2250CST			0	0		0	Thunderstorm Wind
Several power lines were blown down in Danville.									
Clark County 4 W Darwin to Darwin	08	2300CST 2305CST			0	0		0	Thunderstorm Wind
Thunderstorm winds destroyed a machine shed and a barn 4 miles west of Darwin. Two cars in the machine shed were damaged. In Darwin, numerous trees were blown down. No injuries were reported.									
Crawford County 2 N Oblong to Hutsonville	08	2308CST 2330CST			0	0		0	Hail (1.00)
Macon County (Dec)Decatur Arpt	10	1935CST			0	0		0	Hail (1.00)
Macon County Mt Zion	10	2009CST			0	0		0	Hail (0.75)
Champaign County 3 NW Mahomet	10	2020CST			0	0		0	Hail (0.75)
Douglas County 2 W Garrett to Garrett	10	2056CST			0	0		0	Hail (0.75)
Moultrie County 5.5 NE Fairbanks	10	2056CST			0	0		0	Hail (0.75)
Piatt County Atwood	10	2056CST			0	0		0	Hail (0.75)
Champaign County Tolono to 1 N St Joseph	10	2106CST 2122CST			0	0		0	Hail (1.00)



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De Witt County Birkbeck to Parnell	10	2142CST 2145CST			0	0		0	Hail (1.00)
Vermilion County Armstrong	10	2200CST			0	0	0	0	Thunderstorm Wind (G52)
Piatt County Cerro Gordo	20	2342CST			0	0			Hail (1.75)
Logan County San Jose	20	2345CST			0	0			Hail (0.75)
Macon County Warrensburg	20	2345CST			0	0			Hail (1.75)
Piatt County Monticello	22	0846CST			0	0			Hail (0.88)
Knox County 1.5 S Appleton	22	2127CST 2128CST	0.2	10	0	0	0	0	Tornado (F0)

A tornado briefly touched down in a field 1.5 miles south of Appleton. No injuries or damage were reported.